

SENIOR LEADER BIOGRAPHY

Headquarters, United States European Command



Major General Mark O. Schissler

Director, Strategy and Policy, U.S. European Command

Major General Schissler assumed his duties as Director, Strategy and Policy, Headquarters U.S. European Command in summer 2011.

General Schissler was commissioned through Officer Training School and completed undergraduate navigator training in 1981. He served as an instructor, evaluator, chief navigator, executive officer and operations officer. His commands include an airlift squadron, group and wing, as well as two expeditionary air wings. General Schissler was selected for a National Security Fellowship at the John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. He has held assignments on the Air Staff and Joint Staff, including duty as the assistant executive officer to the Chief of Staff of the Air Force. Before his current assignment he served as the Director, Plans, Programs, and Analyses at Headquarters U.S. Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany.



The general is a master navigator with more than 3,500 hours in the C-130, including more than 500 hours in combat theater operations.